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FOR : TRANSLATION INITIATION FACTOR 4AIII, AND METHODS OF USE
THEREOF

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RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR RESTRICTION
UNDER 35 U.S.C. §121

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated November 19, 1999, issued in connection with the above-identified Application, which is now due for response on January 19, 2000 with a One-Month Extension of Time, please consider the following remarks.

REMARKS

By this Office Action, the Examiner has required restriction to one of the following inventions under 35 U.S.C. §121:

Group I. Claims 1-12, drawn to isolated nucleic acid molecules, classified 536, subclass 23.7, encoding a vertebrate translation initiation factor (4AIII), with a coding sequence of SEQ ID NO:1 and having an amino acid sequence